

# Tipton First United Methodist Church

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November 2022

## Church Staff

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**Paul Frederiksen**

Administrative Ministries

Coordinator – **Mary Jo Heil**

Custodian – **Meredith Coppess**

Chancel Choir

Director – **Luke Johnston**

Piano/Organ – **Jo Brown,**  
**Dee Wallace**

Little Friends Preschool

Director and Teacher –

**Daisy Little**

Xn Chaos Director –

**Greg Brown**

Bishop of the Iowa Annual  
Conference – **Laurie Haller**

Northeast District

Superintendent –

**Rev. Dr. Moody Colorado**

Ministers of Jesus Christ in the  
World – **All the People of God!**

## Come Give Thanks...

An Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be held Sunday, November 20 at 6 pm at Peace Church in Bennett. Pastor Scott Meyer will be delivering the message. If you would like to be part of the combined choir, please call the church office for details on song(s) and practice times.

Come join us as we give thanks for the bounty our God has blessed us with.

# Fall Auction and Soup Lunch

**Sunday, Nov. 13**  
Right After Worship

Bring your favorite soup or just come and join the fun and fellowship.

If you have items you would like to donate to the auction, you may bring them to the Gathering Place starting October 30.

Proceeds from the soup lunch will go to College Connections.  
Proceeds from the auction will go to camp scholarships.



## A Word or Two From Pastor Paul

Friends of 1st UMC:

After conversation with the SPRC and Leadership Council, we were just starting to pursue what seemed a 'best-case' scenario for further interim pastoral presence. However, outside of our control, that option went away as of October 16. There are other options that we pursue so meanwhile Jane and I have consented to continue serving as needed. It is not our intent to serve throughout the term of vacancy; in fact, we are simply not able to do that. But we will not leave until regular opportunities for worship are assured.

We are enjoying reconnecting with you, whether it's at worship (preferred!) or at a café or in a parking lot or any of the other surprising places and times. You have received us with grace, patience flexibility and understanding. We thank you and continue to be grateful that by God's grace our lives' paths crossed and continue to do so.

In the short-term, your leadership is seeking other options for Sunday worship so Jane and I might be home at least one Sunday a month so we can worship here in the churches we attend. If YOU would like to present a message, give your testimony or lead a worship service, please, let me or Creative Worship chair Greg Brown know.

Hope to see you Sunday. And the Sunday after that. And the Sunday after that. And the Sunday...

Paul Frederiksen  
Interim Pastor

**Whatever you do**, whether in speech or action, do it all in the name of the **Lord Jesus** and **Give Thanks to God the Father** through him.

—Colossians 3:17

### WORSHIP IN NOVEMBER

Where is 2022 going and why is it in such a hurry?! By the end of November, we will be at the first Sunday of Advent!! That will be definite. However, please consider the theme of the remaining Sundays of November, listed below, to be tentative, depending on the availability of alternative leadership and presentations.

#### Nov. 6 Communion

Theme "Importance of the 'Remnant'"  
Music Keyboards and you  
Bible Haggai 1:15b–2:9 & Luke 20:27–38

#### Nov. 13 Communion

Theme "New Heaven and a New Earth"  
Music Chaos and everyone singing  
Bible Isaiah 65:17–25 & Luke 21:5–19

#### Nov. 20 Reign of Christ Sunday

Theme "Who Is Your Hero?"  
Music Keyboards and your voice being raised!  
Bible Luke 23:33–43 & Jeremiah 23:1–6

#### Nov. 27 First Sunday of Advent; Lighting of the first Advent Candle

Theme "What 'Time' Do YOU Think It Is?"  
Music Chaos and everyone singing  
Bible Romans 13:11–14 & Matthew 24:36–44

# Church Conference 2022

Wow! 30 people came the afternoon of Oct. 16 to show District Superintendent Moody Colorado that they are very serious about 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church's ministries! It was a great gathering and a positive spirit filled the room. What follows is just a sketch of what was included.

Part of the "Mission and Ministry Plan 2023" amounts to a compilation of the responses so many of you took time to share in the Mission and Ministry survey from the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August to the middle of September. The following [ambitious] priorities were presented and approved. In this list, there is a Call to Action to every person of 1<sup>st</sup> UMC.

## **MISSIONAL PRIORITIES FOR 2023** (to begin or continue now!)

### **Spiritual Formation**

- Expect participation in small groups, classes, GIGs... for Bible Study & prayers
- Push creative worship and leadership pool
- Teach & practice prayer
- Provide Leadership Training for spiritual leadership & to broaden the leader roster
- Live into: "We are the church & the Church is us!"
- Youth ministry support by all; including, in part, "the \$140,000 Challenge":

By August 1, 2023, 1st UMC will have a fund designated for Youth Ministry Leadership in the amount of \$140,000 for the purpose of employing gifted, passionate adult/s to work in youth ministry.

PROCESS: An anonymous donor has offered to match donation dollar for dollar up to \$70,000. Every donation up to that amount will be doubled! Fund Raising can begin immediately and whenever possible would include youth family participation as well as all ages of the church. (See note elsewhere.)

### **Increase Participation**

- Intentional and regular connection with persons of the church who have limited mobility (i.e. communion with shut-ins)
- Hold all-church events beyond worship. (i.e. game or movie nights; potlucks/food; Church Family Huddles...)
- Use social media & community print resources to publicize past and future events.
- Communicate, communicate, communicate: bulletin, newsletter, facebook, email, newspaper.

### **Community Engagement**

- As a church, participate in community events
- Hold/host community-wide events
- Explore new events
- Publicize and continue to provide labor for Shared Blessings & HACAP truck

We also affirmed the nominations put forth by Leadership Development co-chairs Ron Salmonson and Bob Cummins. The entire list will be included in the January newsletter. There are some gaps yet in that list of people who have expressed willingness to make a difference. Most notable are gaps in the two areas most needing attention, "Spiritual Formation Ministries" and "Care and Welcoming Ministries."

Spiritual Formation includes Sunday School, GIGs/small groups, other seasonal offerings and even special events on the topic of spiritual formation. A chairperson is needed. Most of the people on the team are already giving major time and effort to teaching or leading a class or group.

Care and Welcoming is not only urgent short-term in the absence of a located pastor, but because this is the call and expectation that the people of a church care for the people, all the people, of the church.

Another item of business was the presentation of the names of 13 persons who were confirmed and added to the membership of 1<sup>st</sup> UMC this year. (I can say that of those 13 five have attended worship at least two times the past 11 Sundays. Hmmm.) Then there was the list of five members or associates who have died this year.

## Church Conference continued

We followed that with a list of 75 persons from whom we've either not heard, or not even have a current address. We've already started the process of 'finding' them! HELP! Prior to presentation, we think we removed the names of all who had attended worship at all the past couple/three years. If people are "inactive" we are stretching it to think we are still 'their church.' It is our responsibility to make every effort to connect with them to encourage participation here if they are in the area or to find a church in their new place of residence if they no longer reside in this area.

Many of the persons listed are "young;" that is, they are in young adult stage of life and may still becoming acquainted and active in their new place. Parents: Help us find your children! And please, if they are no longer desiring to be part of this church, let us know that in writing.

At the conclusion of the Conference refreshments and conversation flowed freely, coordinated by Candace Dusenberry. In fact, here's a recipe of one of the goodies Candace made and brought:

### "Keith's Peanut Butter Brownies"

C flour  
½ t baking powder  
½ t salt  
1 ½ C granulated sugar  
¾ C peanut butter (I use chunky)  
½ C shortening (I use butter flavored Crisco)  
eggs  
1 t pure vanilla

Cream the sugar, p. butter, Crisco, eggs, & vanilla.

Beat until fluffy.

Fold in the dry ingredients

Spread in 9X13 greased & floured pan

Bake 25–30 in 350 degree oven (**do not overbake!**)

Frost w/ peanut butter frosting:

Can vanilla frosting

Large spoonful of peanut butter

Cream those together; spread; *[note from Pastor Paul: Enjoy!]*

Yup, it was a delightful afternoon for Church Conference.

Then it was on to a meeting with DS Colorado with the Staff-Parish Relations Committee. Friends, Rev. Colorado said the intent of the Bishop's Cabinet is that if a church is able to afford a pastor that church would have a single-point pastor appointed. What that means is that it is up to each of you to determine if you want to give the message that yes, you can 'afford' a pastor. Right now, due to the fact that you did not pay your apportionments last year and are behind significantly this year, that you are NOT showing you can afford a full-time pastor!

Furthermore, you are paying me to be your interim, but it is a fraction of the cost of a full-time pastor when pensions and health insurance are considered. In fact, it is about \$3,989/month less! You may have gotten used to the lower costs and, contrary to any theology of stewardship – and healthy spirituality – have ceased to open yourselves to God's promise written in Malachi 3:10:

*Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house;  
and thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts,  
if I will not open the windows of heaven for you  
and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.*

There's the old cliché: "You made your bed; now sleep in it." Well, I challenge you to 'make a bed,' now, that will serve you well and will serve well those who will come after you!



After Church Conference Clean-Up! Thanks Bob!

Pastor Paul

## Missions

### Annual Fall Auction and Soup Lunch

Bring your favorite soup or dessert and join us right after church for lunch. If you don't have time to make something, no worries! Just come and eat; there's always plenty! The Mission Team will provide drinks, and table service. A freewill offering will be taken with proceeds going to College Connections.

The auction will start at 12 pm. If you have items that you would like to donate, you may bring them to the church and please place them in the classroom in the Gathering Place. This is always a fun and enjoyable time with laughter and fellowship.

All proceeds from the auction will go to camp scholarships. Just an FYI, thanks to previous auction proceeds, we were able to send 8 kids to camp last summer!!

### Mission Market

Thank you to all who contributed, as well as those who picked up the produce, to the mission market this year! The money collected will go to purchasing Thanksgiving meals for those in need.

### Thank You!

Thank you for the generous school supplies. They are well needed. Your thoughtfulness and kindness is much appreciated by the students and staff at Tipton Elementary and Middle school!

Tipton Staff

### Thank You!

Thank you to all who put together the 51 kits for Ingathering. There were 18 dignity kits, 16 school kits, and 4 flood buckets. Thank you also to Jo and Wayne Brown for delivering all these kits to Mount Pleasant.

The Thanksgiving Ingathering is a multi-missional event of local, national and international projects that address education, poverty, hunger and disaster relief as a way of growing our relationship with Jesus Christ.

### Annual Thanksgiving Special Offering

This year's special Thanksgiving offering will be used to pay for school lunches for kid's in need. Many families are still feeling the effects of the high cost of almost everything. Your giving will ensure that while at school they won't have to worry about the cost of lunch.

You may use the envelope enclosed in this newsletter or indicate "Thanksgiving" on the memo line of your check.



**Changing our Community  
with Compassion**

**Saturday, Nov. 12  
Saturday, Nov. 26  
11:00-11:45 am**

**Begin each day  
renewed, refreshed  
and glad to be  
alive.**

—Dr. Norman Vincent Peale



**HACAP Mobile Food Truck  
Tipton FUMC**

**Friday, November 4  
West Branch Fire Station  
Tuesday, November 15**

**Questions?**

**Call the HACAP Food  
Reservoir (319) 393-7811  
or the Church office  
(563) 886-2331**

**Income Eligibility  
Guidelines Apply**

**www.hacap.org**

## The Wired Word . . .

is one of the adult Sunday school classes that meets at 9 am. Discussions center around the hot topics of the week. All are welcome! This class meets in the Wesley Room and is led by Bob Young.

## Thursday Morning GIG

meets at 10 am in the Gathering Place. All are welcome.

## Thursday Evening GIG

meets at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Place. All are welcome.

## Abigail Circle

meet on the third Thursday of the month at 7 pm in the dining room.

## Youth Group

meet the second and 4th Sunday of the month from 6:30–7:45 pm. All kids 9–19 who are interested in playing in a Christian rock band are encouraged to come.

## The Upper Room

The Upper Room Devotionals for Nov./Dec. are here. You can pick one up at the back of the church, in the Gathering Place, or in the breezeway.

## College Connections

The first packages were sent out to our college students in late October. Packages sent out contain little reminders that students' church family are thinking and praying for them. There is also words of encouragement and a small treat for them as they prepare for midterms and finals.

## Join Us For Sunday School!

# It All Begins @ 8:45 am

Preschool – 1st • 2nd & 3rd • 4th & 5th  
6th – 8th • High School

## Angel Tree

Our church often receives requests for assistance throughout the year. The Missions team will once again give you the opportunity to assist local families needing assistance by purchasing specific gift requests.

As you make plans for Christmas, prayerfully consider including the Angel Tree as part of your plans as you are able.



## COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

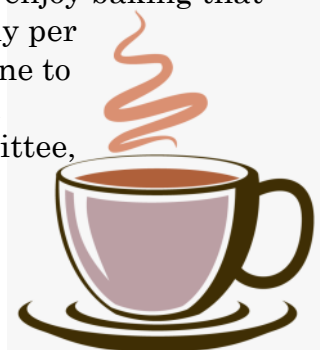
We have resumed our coffee and cookies following the church service! I have missed the camaraderie we had there before Covid interfered.

Please sign up on the calendar in the Gathering Place or on Sunday we will bring the calendar down to the dining room for sign ups.

There are canisters of regular and decaf in the cupboards over the far sink. We have sugar and cream packets in those cupboards too. Also need to make a couple pitchers of lemonade and that is in those cupboards too. Please let me know if supplies are getting low.

Cookies are at your discretion. Our thoughts have been to keep it really simple with purchased cookies. But if you enjoy baking that is fine too. If it is kept simple probably one family per Sunday is sufficient. If you want to invite someone to serve with you that would be great too. Also, I'm looking for someone who will co-chair this committee, especially this winter when I'm in AZ.

If you have questions or would like to co-chair please contact Becky Young text or call 563-357-1245 or email [bbyoung49@gmail.com](mailto:bbyoung49@gmail.com)



## September Financials

<b>September 1 Balance</b>	<b>\$9,764.84</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Contributions	\$14,989.47
<b>Expenses</b>	
Salaries/Pension/Taxes	\$6,819.53
Utilities – Church/Parsonage	\$629.47
Financial Overhead	\$155.00
Postage	\$37.67
Phone/Internet	\$144.70
Copier Lease	\$136.44
Elevator Maintenance	\$422.18
Worship Supplies	\$25.00
Building Maintenance	\$464.00
Digital Advertising	\$160.39
Supplies	\$54.63
<b>September 30 Balance</b>	<b>\$15,705.30</b>

Leadership Council approved sending \$5,000 to Conference for apportionments. Unpaid balance is \$14,118.

### Worship Attendance

Sept. 4 – 47, Sept. 11 – 85, Sept. 18 – 74,  
Sept. 25 – 81

### BAPTISMS – October 9

Two baptisms took place on October 9:

#### Jackson Thomas Lee Fleming

Mom – Lisa Fleming  
Big Brother – Brandon Fleming

#### Fae Beth Person

Parents – Travis Person and Camille Person  
Big Brother – Kingston Person



Jackson Thomas Lee Fleming



Fae Beth Person

## Leadership Council

Leadership Council met at 6:30 p.m. in the Gathering Room. Present: Pastor Paul, Lois S., Sue T., Joyce S., Mary Jo H., Bob Y., Becky Y., Bob C., and Sylvia F.

Lois opened the meeting. Paul led with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as corrected. Treasurer's report was approved.

Paul brought up the possibility of sharing an interim pastor with the Lutheran church until we receive a new pastor on July 1. Consensus was that we talk to the Lutherans to consider sharing the interim pastor. It was suggested that we send Greg Brown, Bob Young and Dee Wallace to meet with them for a conversation on this.

Paul pointed out that the Conference Cabinet when appointing new pastors, looks at whether a church has kept up its apportionments or not.

Discussion was held concerning non-participating members being removed from the membership list. We will try to contact these people to determine their wishes.

Motion by Ron S., seconded by Bob C. to pay \$5,000.00 out of the general fund toward apportionments. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.

Sylvia Ferguson  
Secretary

- 1 – Lisa Fleming, Carter Hill, Faith McGee, Kelly Wendel
- 3 – Sam Bierman, Jo Brown, Matthew Harper
- 4 – Janet Anderson, Kim Cross, Katelyn DeWulf, Elizabeth Houstman, Raymond Stark, Marlin & Donna Wiskus
- 5 – Brad Anderson, Cynthia Fitch
- 7 – Keylon Krenze
- 8 – Joseph Crock
- 9 – Cooper Boeve, Tina Jorgensen, Erica Shumaker, Melinda Stonebraker
- 10 – Tara Eisele, Caden Schmidt, Heidi Shumaker
- 11 – Alisha Hubler, Jenny Jackson, Edward Ketelsen
- 13 – Owen Boldt, Ange Catanese, Chris & Kiley Schultz
- 15 – Mary Ehresman, Patti Seydel
- 18 – Zoe Stonebraker, Ken & Sherry Schmidt, Ruel & Jan Wehde
- 19 – Robert & JoAnne Johnston
- 20 – Peg Adams, Wayne Neville
- 21 – Jo Ann Beers, Elliot Cummins, Autumn Puffer
- 23 – Ron Martin
- 25 – Cheryl Person
- 26 – Steph Behne, Jack Cartwright, Glenn & Ellen Fear
- 27 – Jerod Wiskus
- 28 – Sara Webb, Brad & Jeanette Kirkpatrick
- 29 – Bailey Puffer, Kellie Rouse, Kerri Nash

**Rejoicing in hope,  
patient in tribulation,  
continuing steadfastly  
in prayer.**

–Romans 12:12



### First Friday Donuts!

Which this month happens to be November 4th. Meet at the United Church of Christ of Tipton to meet, greet, and serve donuts and juice to the high school students. 8 to 8:30 am in the UCC parking lot. Reach out to the church office or Lois Salmonson to add your name to the list.

### Hospitalized/Procedures:

**Healing:** Erma Lyle, Anton Slach, Michael Carroll (Greg & Sandy Brown's son-in-law), Carolyn Wood, Chris Keller, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Irene Wood, Glenn Fear, Jo Ann Beers, Nick Brown, Glenn Eaton, Bob Gould, half-brother and nephew of Deb Lowry, Randy Nau, Judy Ohrt

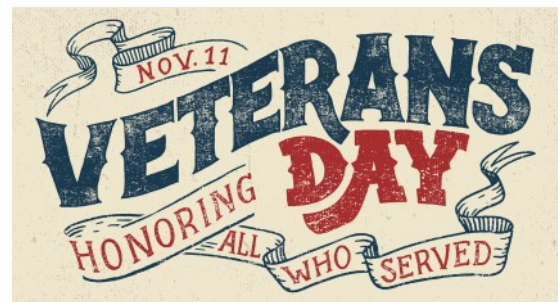
### Prayers for Those in Life Transitions:

Keith & Carolyn Wood, Ken Gould, Rhonda Waugh, Denise Cartwright, Lynn McIntosh

**In Treatment:** Myrna Baird (Lorna Muller's sister), Norma Snyder (Mary Vang's sister-in-law), Leroy Clark (Lisa Davies' dad), Ron Burroughs, Tom Ehresman, Ken Gould, Clara Italiano, Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Chris Ward

### Hospice/Palliative Care:

**Armed Services:** Joseph Battey, Nolan Ohrt, Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Kyle Marchik, Corey & Alexa Ormsby, Mike Ploeger & Daniel Larson (McKinney's nephews), Kaitlyn (McKinney) & Nick Brisbin, Jacob Ketelsen





# 1<sup>st</sup> UMC Care List - October 2022

[O: Caring Ministries, Care List 2022]

Here is a list of persons known to the church to be in Care Centers, assisted living or are not as ambient as they once were. SO, it is up to the persons of the church to make contact with these folks on an intentionally regular basis. Sharing communion with them is one way; and that is to be offered toward the beginning of every month after communion the first Sunday. Other ways of making intentional contact will be created by the Caring Ministries group, which will be chaired by Ann Neville. But that work will need every one of YOU to be successful and spiritually helpful to all. (If you have additions or edits, contact the church office!)

## **Cedar Manor – 1200 Mulberry**

Carol Anderson  
Ken Gould  
Don Kallenberger  
Ron Martin  
Betty Turner

Tom Ehresman  
503 Horizon  
563-886-6710  
[ehrestm@windstream.net](mailto:ehrestm@windstream.net)

## **Cedar Manor Apartments – 1200 Mulberry**

Alberta Wagaman #3

Cuba Flory  
544 E 4<sup>th</sup> St  
563-886-6246

## **Prairie Hills – 219 S Cedar**

Pat Fankhauser, #403, 319-899-1039  
Gerry Reeve  
Irene Wood, #204, 563-357-5109

Bob Friday  
1765 210<sup>th</sup> St  
563-886-2367 (h)  
563-357-9450 (cell)

## **Clarence Senior Living – 208 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Clarence**

Marge Stonerook Rm. NW 5

Frances Ford  
1203 Parkview Dr  
563-886-2801

## **Keystone Place**

Keith & Carolyn Wood  
1275 W Forevergreen, North Liberty

Margaret Ketelsen  
50 Plum E3  
319-481-7622  
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## **Private Residences**

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Merlyn & Helen Timm  
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Glenn Eaton  
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563-886-6202

Rhonda Waugh  
108 Meadow Lane  
319-480-0440



# November Calendar



Dates and times are subject to change. Go to our website for current information.

## Wednesday, November 2

6 pm SPRC  
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 3

10 am GIG  
6:30 pm GIG

## Friday, November 4

3:30–4:30 pm HACAP  
Mobile Food Pantry

## Sunday, November 6

11:15 am – Children's  
Ministries

## Wednesday, November 9

6:30 pm Trustees  
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 10

10 am GIG  
6:30 pm GIG

## Friday, November 11

Veteran's Day

## Saturday, November 12

11–11:45 am Shared  
Blessings

## Sunday, November 13

11:15 am Missions Fall  
Auction and Soup Lunch  
6:30–7:45 pm Youth Group

## Tuesday, November 15

2 pm Worship at Prairie Hills  
6:30 pm Leadership Council

## Wednesday, November 16

Newsletter Deadline  
6:30 pm LFP Board Meeting  
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 17

10 am GIG  
6:30 pm GIG

## Monday, November 21

6:30 pm Missions

## Wednesday, November 23

8 am Holy Folders  
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 24

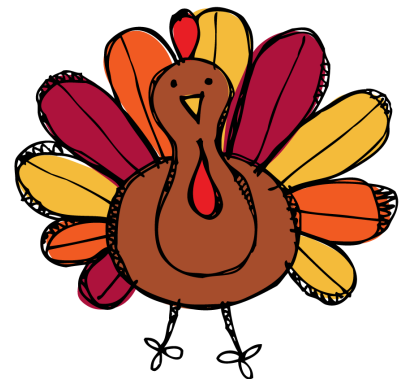
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

## Saturday, November 26

11:00–11:45 am Shared  
Blessings

## Sunday, November 27

11:15 am Creative Worship  
6:30 pm Youth Group



**Can't Make Worship?  
Visit the Website.**

**Worship LIVE** 

To watch live on Sunday morning (10:00am), or the most recent service (available until the following Saturday), visit the church website at [tiptonumc.org](http://tiptonumc.org) and click on the 'Join Us Via Livestream' link on the left side under the logo (or under the logo on your mobile phone). You can also click the WorshipLIVE icon on the front page. To view archived services, click the Worship menu and select 'Worship Videos'. Or use this link: <https://tiptonumc.org/worship-videos/>

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## NOVEMBER EVENTS

Nov. 4 — HACAP Mobile Food  
Pantry

Nov. 12 — Shared Blessings

Nov. 13 — Missions Fall Auction and  
Soup Lunch!!  
Youth Group

Nov. 15 — Worship @ Prairie Hills

Nov. 16 — Newsletter Deadline

Nov. 23 — Holy Folders

Nov. 24 — HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Nov. 26 — Shared Blessings

Nov. 27 — Youth Group

*Give thanks to the LORD because he is good,  
because his faithful love lasts forever.*

Psalms 118:1

### Mission Statement:

**Tipton First United Methodist Church**

“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”